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Ottawa Elvis facing sex-crime charges

INVESTIGATION

Police say more victims came forward to accuse impersonator

Joe Lofaro
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An Elvis impersonator from Ottawa is accused of multiple sex crimes — including allegations he sexually assaulted young boys and girls over a period of several years beginning in the early 1990s.

Dan Burgess — who has performed as Elvis Presley for more than 25 years — also faces child pornography charges.

Ottawa police say they obtained a warrant and searched the 54-year-old's home in the city's east end, where they seized several computer hard drives.

Burgess' family say they are shocked by the charges.

"I'm going through hell and I do not want to talk to anybody," Burgess' wife, Suzanne, said in a brief telephone interview Wednesday.

"They're serious charges, I know. Dan is not available for comment."

Ottawa police say the RCMP's National Child Exploitation Coordination Centre tipped them off last January about a child pornography video uploaded to an online video chat service.

Last September, Ottawa police began an investigation into historical sexual assaults on a boy under the age of 10 that allegedly first took place in the early 1990s and continued for several years.

Police say more victims came forward after they charged Burgess on Tuesday. They subsequently laid additional charges.

Burgess now also faces one count each of sexual assault, sexual interference and invitation to sexual touching. Police say the charges stem from a 2003 investigation involving a boy under the age of 10.

Further charges were laid following a 1999 investigation involving three girls, all of them younger than 10-years-old. Police have charged Burgess with three counts each of sexual assault and sexual interference.

He also faces several child pornography charges.

DAN BURGESS

On his website, Burgess is described as a beloved and talented performer who took home first prize at the People's Choice Award Competition in 2005.

Later that year, he won the classic division at the King Fest event in Peterborough, Ont.

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Coeur de Pirate drops blame game, adds optimism for Roses

Beatrice Martin says it took the birth of her daughter to help her see beauty in the world.
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BACKSTAGE PASS

Montreal songstress coming to the city this Friday

Trevor Greenway
Metro | Ottawa

Beatrice Martin is all grown up.

Gone are the days of vengeful songwriting, taking out her exes at the ears, sonically souring the world around her with terrifyingly beautiful lyrics and poppy, sometimes macabre melodies.

The Montreal-raised woman behind Coeur de Pirate says she stopped pointing the fingers at others and looked inside herself on her latest record Roses, accepting the many faults of her life as is, and carrying on with poise, grace and a whole lot of optimism.

"Before, I was really talking to other people in my songs. I was very vengeful in order to deal with certain things and certain issues and I had to do that," admits Martin, who brings her warming vocals and French-Canadian flare to Ottawa this Friday at the Bronson Centre.

"It's so easy to point the finger, it's not easy to point the finger at yourself. It was a hard process, but I am glad I did it."

The 26-year-old says it took the birth of her daughter, Romy, now three-years-old, to pull that optimistic shade over her pessimistic eyeballs, lenses that would help her see the beauty in the world, often right in front of her nose.

"It changes how you see everything and what you do every day," says Martin of becoming a parent.

"It changes your whole life, so, obviously it changed my songwriting. It's good because I have a more positive outlook on things, whereas before I was very pessimistic about most things and it showed in my songwriting and now it's a little bit better."

The result of this is another passionate outing on Roses, her first studio venture in four years and the first time Martin has split the album between two languages — and the scales tip slightly in favour of her non-native tongue.

Martin says crooning more English has not only challenged her, but has also helped her reach greater audiences in the U.S. and across Canada, where singing French-only songs in dusty Alberta was a tough sell.

"It did help me get concerts in places where it was harder for me when I was just singing in French," she said.

"Even in English Canada, I don't think I would have been able to play a show in, let's say, Calgary, if I had nothing in English. It would have been a little bit harder."

Those of you who saw Coeur de Pirate at the 2014 CityFolk festival at Hog's Back Park should expect a different show at the Bronson Centre this weekend, as Martin has created an entire audio visual experience around Roses with visuals and lights that promise to bring her third studio record to life.

"It's more of an environment and ambience and I know a lot of people expect that at shows now and I would, too. I think the album really fits with that, so that's why we wanted to do it," adds Martin.

"I'm sad I can't see it myself, but it's really nice."

> "It's so easy to point the finger, it's not easy to point the finger at yourself. It was a hard process, but I am glad I did it."
> Beatrice Martin

+ SHOW

Coeur de Pirate plays the Bronson Centre Feb. 5. Tickets are $30.

ROBERT ROONEY

Wakefield International Film Festival to launch seventh doc series

Lucy Scholey
Metro | Ottawa

It's almost as if this year's Wakefield International Film Festival is a final artistic goodbye from Robert Rooney.

With wife Brenda Rooney, the couple founded the festival of top-notch documentary films — known as WIFF — in 2010. The small Quebec village about 30 kilometres north of Ottawa has the Rooneys to thank for its arts scene. Together, the couple launched a film camp for youth, Theatre Wakefield, and produced several documentaries.

Robert Rooney died of cancer on Jan. 5 — barely a month shy of WIFF's opening day.

"That actually absolutely captures what Robert spent the last part of his life doing," said Brenda Rooney, describing how proud her husband was of his final WIFF lineup.

The festival's seventh edition rolls out over four weekends starting on Feb. 6. Here's a sample of what's in store for doc fanatics:

Feb. 6 and 7
In Pursuit of Peace documents four Canadian peacemakers in the world's major conflict zones. Montreal director Garry Beitel and producer, Barry Lazar will attend a Q & A session at the 4 p.m. screening on Feb. 6.

Feb. 13 and 14
Haida Gwaii: On the Edge of the World — which won awards at Hot Docs and the Vancouver Film Festival — tells the story of the Haida people's fight to reclaim their land.

A panel discussion will follow the Feb. 13 4 p.m. screening.

Feb. 20 and 21
Painted Land: In Search of the Group of Seven follows a team trying to locate the locations of the famed artists' paintings. This will be followed by a one-evening-only pre-screening of The Man Who Built Cambodia, about late 20th-century architect Vann Molyvann. Wakefield native Christopher Rompre will take questions afterwards.

Feb. 27 and 28
Driving With Selvi follows India's first female taxi driver. Selvi herself and director Elisa Paloschi will answer questions after the Feb. 28 4 p.m. screening.

These are not the only films or screen times at WIFF. For more, visit www.wakefieldfilmfest.ca.

PROGRAM

Road money left in banks

Councillors only spent $176,000 of the $920,000 available for traffic calming in 2015.

Under a new program approved last summer, each councillor can spend $40,000 a year on simple fixes to slow traffic, including installing flexi-posts, painting speed markings on the road or putting up speed boards.

No one emptied their accounts — Osgoode Coun. George Darouze came closest with $27,220 — and half spent less than $5,000. Councillors Eli El-Chantiry, Rick Chiarelli and Tobi Nussbaum spent nothing at all.

The program was only launched in August, so councillors had less time to identify problems.

Nussbaum said he spent 2015 analyzing where to spend his allowance. And the money rolls over, so "it's not like I just let $40,000 go," he said.

Chiarelli's doing the same thing, although he's less optimistic he'll have success.

"$40,000 can buy you almost nothing in the traffic calming world," he said. "It's not enough."

He said his ward needs traffic lights and other infrastructure not funded through the program.

Still, he said he's spent about a quarter of his 2015 budget on measures that will be implemented this spring.

That's true for a lot of wards, said traffic services manager Phil Landry. About 80 seasonal projects were held until spring and will be funded with 2015 dollars.

Transportation committee chairman Coun. Keith Egli encouraged his colleagues to take advantage of the funding — especially since speeding is a top complaint from residents.

He spent $14,226 last year.

But the traffic department is working on other safety programs, too, Landry said.

Five new red light cameras will be installed this fall, for example, at intersections plagued by T-bone collisions.

Those are the most dangerous, since running a red means you're likely moving fast, Landry said. Intersections with nine or more in the past three years will get cameras first.

In 2016, they'll be installed at Old Tenth Line Road at St. Joseph Boulevard, Catherine Street at Kent Street, Gladstone Avenue at Rochester Street, Bank Street at Riverside Drive and Coldrey Avenue at Kirkwood Avenue.

Another 15 cameras will be installed by 2018.

EMMA JACKSON/METRO

Highway windows will look 'disgusting,' Fleury warns

TRANSPORTATION

Acrylic panels slated for noise barriers get mixed reaction

Emma Jackson
Metro | Ottawa

Rideau-Vanier Coun. Mathieu Fleury says the province's plan to install windows along Highway 417 downtown will define an era of bad taste in the decades to come.

The province's Ministry of Transportation is retrofitting five noise barriers through the downtown core from Preston to Elgin streets, beginning this summer.

Senior project engineer Dave Lindensmith offered an overview of the project at a transportation committee meeting on Wednesday.

The traffic impacts could be significant: Lane reductions and ramp closures of some of the busiest downtown exits could last up to two months, Lindensmith said.

But Fleury decried the use of the acrylic panels in the new barriers.

> It will become apparent the era that we've done these works.
> Coun. Mathieu Fleury

"I really question the desire to use that material," he said. "We have other materials that could be in place and they're not as visibly impacted."

He said the windows are "disgusting" when they get dirty and don't live up to their self-cleaning promise.

Several have already been installed near St. Laurent Boulevard, and "it looks awful" when they get dirty, Fleury said.

Lindensmith confirmed the windows are planned for the new noise barriers, which will start to be installed this summer.

The windows are more expensive than typical concrete, so they're used sparingly. But they can be useful for lightening the load on overpasses and maintaining views of the city, Lindensmith said. And they're equally effective for blocking out noise.

Fleury asked the ministry to reconsider using the panels in Ottawa, otherwise "it will become apparent the era that we've done these works," he said.

Coun. Catherine McKenney, for her part, said she likes the windows because they break up what would otherwise be a continuous concrete wall. They also allow more light into yards that back onto the highway. Coun. Diane Deans agreed.

Lindensmith will be sending more information to the committee about the acrylic panels this month.

WEATHER PRECIPITATION PUTS A DAMPER ON TRAVEL PLANS Freezing rain encased the city in ice on Wednesday, causing commuter chaos and several flight cancellations at the Ottawa Airport. In the afternoon temperatures rose to 4 C, turning ice into equally messy slush on the way home. HALEY RITCHIE/METRO

PUBLIC SERVICE

Feds move to repeal Conservative sick leave measures

Michael Woods
Metro | Ottawa

The federal government is taking another step toward repealing the former Conservative government's measures on public servants' sick leave.

Treasury Board president Scott Brison served notice Wednesday that he will table a bill repealing a section of last year's budget bill that gave the government the authority to impose a new public service sick-leave regime.

The move comes the same week as the new Liberal government is sitting down with public service unions for the first time since winning power on Oct. 19.

Treasury Board negotiators are meeting with bargaining groups from the Public Service Alliance of Canada — which is the largest public sector union — and negotiators from the Professional Institute of the Public Service of Canada, representing federal scientists.

Treasury Board provided PIPSC with a new set of bargaining proposals related to sick leave, the hot-button issue in talks with the last government. Officials were tight-lipped about the proposals, saying discussions should take place at the bargaining table.

But PIPSC president Debi Daviau said it's a positive sign the Liberals are acting quickly to repeal the former government's sick leave rules.

"It's a signal, and it's them making good on their commitments to restore a fair and respectful environment," she said.

The section of last year's budget bill gave Treasury Board the power to unilaterally impose a new sick leave regime, bypassing the collective bargaining process. The former Conservative government also booked $900 million in sick leave savings.

The unions decried the law as unconstitutional and launched a court challenge.

The new government had promised they wouldn't invoke their powers under that law. But a senior Treasury Board official also told unions that the repeal would be one of the government's "first orders of business" in the winter sitting.

However, there are still issues in a previous Conservative law, Bill C-4, that the unions are hoping the government re-examines.

Those have to do with arbitration rights and access to strike, among other matters, and have a "deep impact" on the bargaining environment, Daviau said.

"We have some distance to go yet."

When the Hill was on fire

A hundred years ago, a blaze destroyed Parliament's Centre Block. Today an exhibit marks the dramatic events. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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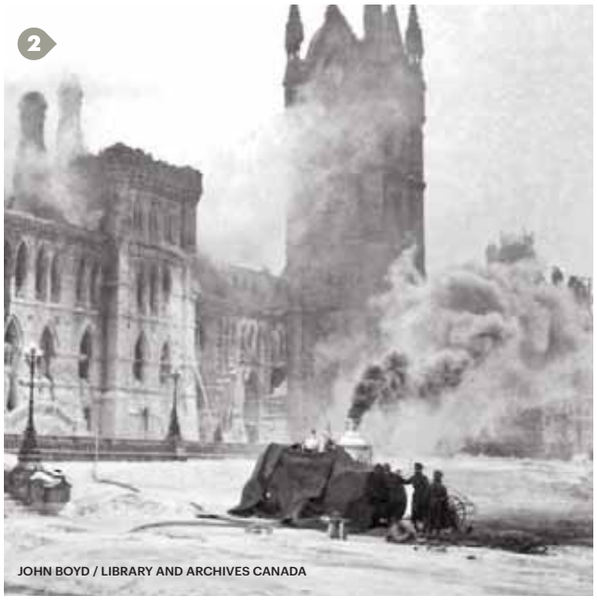

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1 AND 2 Firefighters battle 1916 blaze.
3 The eternal flame burns in front of the Peace Tower today.
4 Speaker of the House Geoff Regan (right) and Speaker of the Senate George Furey take in the exhibition.
5 Deputy Sergeant-at-Arms Patrick McDonnell carries the wooden mace created in 1917 to replace the mace destroyed in the fire. THE CANADIAN PRESS

DIPLOMACY

Wynne's sunrise sprint in India

The octogenarian Flying Sikh gave Ontario's most famous morning jogger a run for her money.

Premier Kathleen Wynne, in India leading a trade delegation, went for a sunrise sprint in Chandigarh, with Indian track and field legend Milkha Singh at scenic Sukhna Lake on Wednesday.

"I'm in my 80s, but I still love to run," said Singh, whose exact age is unknown, as he greeted a visibly impressed Wynne amid a throng of some 50 local journalists covering the campaign-style event.

"It's beautiful to see you," the charismatic former 400-metre champion told her as he presented the premier with a bouquet of flowers.

Wynne, 62, herself a one-time Ontario high-school record holder in what was then known as the 440-yard dash, joked that she "can't run with a bouquet."

The pair then set out on an chaotic one-kilometre jog as the sun rose over Sukhna Lake.

Surrounded by Chandigarh police officers, some of whom were armed with assault rifles, Wynne and Singh jogged and strolled for the benefit of the dozens of jostling photographers, videographers, and reporters who had begun gathering before dawn.

"You're so fast. You are remarkable," the premier told Singh, a 1958 Commonwealth Games gold medallist who finished fourth in the 400 metres at the 1960 Olympics in Rome, setting an Indian national record that stood for 40 years.

"This has been a wonderful experience for me to be able to run with the legend, Milkha Singh. He is an awesome role model for so many young people and for me," she said.

The Indian national hero emphasized their brief time together sent an important signal.

"We didn't just run today — we made bonds of friendship between India and Canada. Through this run there will be more friendship between this city and the province (of Ontario)," said Singh, known the world over as the Flying Sikh.

"I would like to see a program to send Indian youth (athletes) to Toronto to train."

Wynne assured Singh she would talk with Tourism Culture and Sport Minister Michael Coteau about such an exchange program for young teenager athletes.

"I'm going to tell him we had this conversation," she said, "because I think that would be a very good idea."

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Health hub plans uproot co-op garden

CARLINGTON

Expansion of centre means new green space needed

Lucy Scholey
Metro | Ottawa

A plan to expand the Carlington Community Health Centre means uprooting a neighbouring 20-year-old community garden.

The proposed "health hub" would include 42 residential apartments for seniors, primary medical care and support services plus green space on the side. The four-storey addition would connect to the existing health centre at 900 Merivale Rd. This area is not zoned for residential use, which is why the application is going before the planning committee on Tuesday.

A rendering of the planned Carlington Community Health Centre. COURTESY CITY OF OTTAWA

Ottawa Community Housing would manage the affordable residential side of the project, while the Carlington Community Health Centre would oversee medical care and support services, available to the community as well as tenants.

All three levels of government have signed off on funding. But River Ward Coun. Riley Brockington said it would be "devastating" to lose the community garden. The city and non-profit group Just Food jointly manage the garden's 150 plots.

"Every possible option must be explored to find suitable, local and accessible land to relocate the community garden," he wrote in the staff report, while stressing the importance of expanding the overburdened, aging community health centre.

The centre's executive director, Cameron MacLeod, said his team is working with the gardeners to find a new location.

"We hope to keep it, obviously, within Carlington so that it's accessible," he said. "The problem is there's not a whole lot of green space available in Carlington."

Just Food executive director Moe Garahan said her team is looking to plant seeds in a new location as early as this spring. She praised the community centre for putting in extra staff to help with the search.

Regardless of that timeline, city staff say gardeners will be able to grow their veggies on the existing site up until the construction start date.

Prime Minister Justin Trudeau greets refugee families who recently arrived in Canada at an open house of the Masjid Al-Salaam Mosque in Peterborough, Ont., on Sunday.
THE CANADIAN PRESS

Refugee needs intensifying

SYRIAN CRISIS

Government-assisted groups will face more issues: Analysis

As the Liberal government's target date to resettle 25,000 Syrian refugees inches ever closer, a government analysis of those who've already arrived paints a sobering picture of the resettlement challenge ahead.

Data obtained by The Canadian Press shows that government-assisted refugees have more children, lower language skills and lower education levels compared with those being resettled by private groups.

Here's a look at what it found, and some of the implications for resettlement providers.

Bigger families
53 per cent of approved cases listed five to eight people on the application, raising concerns for the current housing crunch. It's harder to find apartments to accommodate that many people within available budgets.

They're younger
55 per cent of approved applicants were 14 years of age or younger, compared with 27 per cent of privately sponsored ones. Services directly targeted at children will need to be stepped up.

Language barriers
67 per cent of approved applicants reported speaking neither English or French. In some cities, wait lists for language training are over a year long. THE CANADIAN PRESS

SECURITY

U.S. senators probing Canada's refugee plan
The U.S. Senate committee for homeland security is studying the implications for U.S. security from Canada's refugee program. The committee is hearing from two Canadians who have criticized the Trudeau government's refugee plan, including a representative of U.S. border guards who says the border is porous and needs more guards and a trade expert.
THE CANADIAN PRESS

IN BRIEF

Members of Canadian navy charged with drug offences
The Canadian navy says two members of a warship have been charged with drug offences by Japanese police. Police detained two military members and a civilian employee on Monday for the alleged use of a controlled substance. The charges follow a port visit to Tokyo by a Halifax-class frigate with a crew of about 250 personnel.
THE CANADIAN PRESS

INFORMATION LAWS

'Cultural change' needed to open government

The Liberals' promise to pry open government requires nothing less than "cultural change" within the public service, warn documents obtained by Torstar News Service.

Treasury Board President Scott Brison was told in November there are significant hurdles to the Liberals' campaign pledge to reform access-to-information laws, make government information open by default and more effectively communicate with the public.

Documents prepared for Brison describe a federal culture of "limited disclosure, insular policy making," which takes into account the "federal view only."

To implement the Liberals' ambitious democratic reform agenda, that culture will need to shift to one of "proactive release, engagement and connectivity (and) broad leadership on open government."

It's not clear exactly how the government intends to change the culture of some 257,000 employees in the core public service. But Trudeau has already made clear he wants to end the era of the federal government deciding and acting on issues unilaterally, putting an emphasis on meeting with provincial premiers and, on Friday, the mayors of Canada's largest cities. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

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Afghan insurgents kill child soldier

URUZGAN PROVINCE

Boy, 10, had fought against the Taliban with militia

A 10-year-old Afghan boy who was declared a hero after fighting the Taliban has been shot dead by insurgents while on his way to school, officials said Wednesday.

Wasil Ahmad, who had fought the Taliban alongside his uncle on many occasions, was killed Monday near his home in Tirin Kot, the capital of the southern Uruzgan province, said deputy police Chief Rahimullah Khan.

The 10-year-old boy had been a local celebrity of sorts, with widely circulated photographs on social media showing him holding an automatic weapon and wearing a uniform and helmet.

Ahmad's uncle was a former Taliban commander who changed allegiance to the government and was appointed local police commander in Khas Uruzgan district, Khan said.

The use of child soldiers is illegal in Afghanistan, but the charity Child Soldiers International said both government forces and insurgents have been recruiting minors for years.

The organization's policy and advocacy director Charu Lata Hogg told The Associated Press that the Afghan government, despite pledging to stop the recruitment and use of children by the Afghan security forces, was making "slow and tardy progress."

> There's a lack of political will to address this issue.
> Charu Lata Hogg, Child Soldiers International

"There is a lack of political will to address this issue, and while it's within the framework of overall human rights violations, there is a specific commitment by the government to clean it up but sufficient measures are not being taken," she said.

In a June 2015 report presented to the UN Security Council's working group on children and armed conflict, the London-based charity said children were recruited by the Afghan National Police and the Afghan Local Police. It said the recruitment was mainly driven by poverty, but also filial duty, patriotism and honour.

Rafiullah Baidar, spokesman for the Afghanistan Independent Human Rights Commission, said that local police had hailed the boy as a hero after he battled a Taliban siege following the death of his father.

"One side made him famous and the other side killed him — both sides ignored the law and acted illegally," Baidar said.

Afghanistan ratified the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child in 1994, committing the country to end the recruitment and use of child soldiers.

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

MIGRANTS 'THIS, ABOVE ALL, TO THINE OWN SELF BE TRUE' The words from Shakespeare's Hamlet rang out on the most unlikely stage on Wednesday — a squalid migrant camp in the French port of Calais, known locally as the "jungle." Up to 300 people bundled against the cold to watch the outdoor show on a wooden stage beside the small Good Chance theatre, set up last fall to help fill the void for displaced residents. THIBAULT CAMUS/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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HEALTH

Heat helps spread of Zika virus

In its brief lifespan, the mosquito that carries the Zika virus is caught in a race: Will it pass the disease to humans before it dies?

Weather might make the difference. Scientists say the hotter it gets, the more likely the insect can spread disease.

"With higher temperatures you have more mosquitoes feeding more frequently and having a greater chance of acquiring infection. And then the virus replicates faster because it's hotter, therefore the mosquitoes can transmit earlier in their life," said entomologist Bill Reisen of the University of California Davis.

In general, mosquitoes don't live long, maybe 10 to 12 days on average, said Tom Scott, a University of California Davis professor of both entomology and epidemiology.

Warmer air incubates the virus faster in the cold-blooded mosquito. So the insect has more time to be infectious and alive to spread the disease, Scott said.

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BLOOD DONORS

The agency responsible for most of Canada's blood supply says people who have travelled outside of Canada, the continental United States and Europe will be ineligible to give blood for 21 days after their return. Canadian Blood Services says it is implementing the waiting period to mitigate the risk of the Zika virus entering the Canadian blood supply. CBS says the new waiting period is being implemented across the country and will take full effect in all of its clinics starting on Feb. 5.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

SPACE

Cosmonauts collect experiment, send USB flash drive back to Earth

Russian cosmonauts install new experiments on the International Space Station. NASA VIA THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Spacewalking Russians gathered seeds and spores that have been stuck outside the International Space Station for months, if not years, and gave a ceremonial sendoff Wednesday to a flash drive containing special messages for their motherland.

Cosmonaut Sergey Volkov waited for good camera views before tossing the flash drive overboard toward Earth as the space station sailed 402 kilometres above the Pacific.

The flash drive includes videos and messages pertaining to the 70th anniversary of Russia's Victory Day last year.

The spacewalkers then set off to retrieve research equipment that has been outdoors since 2009. The trays include specimens that are returned to Earth every year or two for analysis. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Rona Inc. will keep its retail store banners as part of the agreement with Lowe's which has also agreed to headquarter the Canadian businesses in Quebec. RYAN REMIORZ/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Lowe's making a $3.2B bid for Rona

HOME IMPROVEMENT

Acquisition gives U.S. giant a strong base in Quebec

Following a long and sometimes stormy courtship, Lowe's Companies Inc. announced Wednesday that it has a deal to buy Quebec-based Rona Inc. for $3.2 billion, creating the largest home improvement retailer in Canada.

The agreement provides for an all-cash purchase price of $24 per common share and $20 per preferred share (all figures in Canadian dollars).

The offer represents a premium of 104 per cent to Rona's closing common share price yesterday, and a 38 per cent premium to its 52-week trading high $17.36.

As part of the agreement, Lowe's agreed to headquarter the Canadian businesses in Boucherville, Que., maintain Rona's many retail store banners, and enhance distribution services to independent dealers. It also agreed to allow Rona to continue to employ the vast majority of its current employees and maintain key executives from Rona's leadership team and to continue Rona's local and ethical procurement strategy and potentially expand relationships that both Lowe's and Rona have developed with Canadian manufacturers and suppliers.

The value of Rona shares shot up more than $11 on the news, to $23.41, an increase of nearly 100 per cent.

100%

The percentage by which the value of Rona shares shot up on news of the takeover, rising more than $11 to $23.41.

And while Parti Québécois party leader Pierre Karl Péladeau immediately took to Twitter calling on the province to save Rona from foreign ownership, it seems unlikely that political interference will scuttle the deal, as it did in 2012. That unsolicited attempt stalled after Quebec's then-finance minister, Raymond Bachand, opposed the deal.

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

IN BRIEF

Toyota gives up on Scion

Toyota is killing its Scion brand after slumping sales. Beginning in August, Scion vehicles will be rebadged as Toyotas. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Canadians turning away from cash: Study

Canadian consumers are more inclined to reach for their smartphones and credit cards over bills and coins to make purchases, according to a new study.

In 2015, only 25 per cent of Canadian transactions were in cash, a decline of two percentage points from 2014. Meanwhile, credit cards accounted for the majority of transactions at 42 per cent, unchanged from the previous year.

"We also saw a number of years ago in this country a very concerted effort by the card companies to get people to start using their cards for smaller payments. That clearly has worked," said Stephen Popeil, vice-president of GfK Canada which conducted the online survey.

Debit cards were at 28 per cent, followed by mobile device payments at three per cent. Each category saw marginal growth of a percentage point each compared to 2014.

In the case of mobile payments, GfK found that they tend to skew to younger and higher-income Canadians, as well as among urban dwellers.

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CHANTAL HÉBERT: ON THE POLITICS OF OILSANDS

If Trudeau cannot get along with Rachel Notley, he is unlikely to get along with any Alberta government. But ... the real test of their relationship will be the resolution of the pipeline file.

Kudos to Justin Trudeau and Alberta's Rachel Notley for taking the time to talk face-to-face about the province's economic challenges on Wednesday. The Liberal prime minister has a compelling interest in keeping the channels open with the NDP premier.

If Trudeau can't get along with Notley, he is unlikely to get along with any Alberta government. Her two top advisers — Richard Dicerni on the public-service side and Brian Topp in the more political role of chief-of-staff — know the federal capital inside out and have worked with the federal Liberals in the past.

Dicerni served in a senior role in the unity backrooms of Pierre Trudeau's government at the time of the 1980 Quebec referendum. Topp was Jack Layton's lead negotiator in the talks that led to the 2008 Liberal-NDP coalition accord.

But while the prime minister can offer Notley some financial relief in the upcoming federal budget, the real test of their relationship will be the resolution of the pipeline file and the fate of Alberta's efforts to connect the oilsands to tidewater.

It is by far the most contentious issue on the federal-provincial radar. Yet, this is one national discussion that is unlikely to be resolved between first ministers. To date, the lead players in the debate have mostly been municipal politicians.

This is one national discussion that is unlikely to be resolved by first ministers.

Here are a few of them:

Joanne Monaghan was the mayor of Kitimat, B.C., on whose watch a plebiscite was held on the Northern Gateway pipeline in 2014. As the end point for the pipeline bringing oil from Alberta, Kitimat would be home to a marine terminal where tankers would load up. Almost 60 per cent of her constituents voted no, driving another nail in the coffin of the moribund $6.5-billion Enbridge project.

Derek Corrigan is the mayor of Burnaby, B.C. The Trans Mountain pipeline runs through the city, and its corporate owner, Kinder Morgan, wants to triple its capacity. Corrigan is hardly the only Vancouver-area mayor to oppose the pipeline but he is one of the most vocal. Last May, he told a community meeting he was prepared to be arrested and see his political career come to an end to stop the project. He called last week's federal announcement of an expanded consultation process and an extended approval timeline a disappointment.

Marc Demers is the mayor of Laval, Quebec's third-largest city, and one of 82 Montreal-area municipal leaders who came out against the Energy East pipeline. While most Canadians see Denis Coderre as the face of the region's opposition to TransCanada's current plans, Demers has been campaigning hard against the pipeline since early last fall.

Gilles Lehouillier is the major of Lévis, across from Quebec City. He turned down TransCanada's plan to locate a terminal for the Energy East pipeline in his city and remains ambivalent about the project as whole.

There are mayors in the pro-pipeline camp who are not from Saskatchewan and Alberta — the two provinces whose oil industry needs access to a coast — but their support tends to be more tentative than the opposition of some of their mayoral colleagues.

Quebec City's Régis Labeaume gave his support in principle to the Energy East pipeline last week. In the same breath, though, he said TransCanada had proven inept at addressing the environmental concerns arising from the project.

Mel Norton, the mayor of Saint John, N.B., where some of the oil delivered by the pipeline would be refined, also supports Energy East, but his municipal council wants more definitive answers from TransCanada as to its benefits for the region.

Canada has hit upon defining issues that have pitted region against region in the past. Think of the National Energy Program in the early '80s, the 1988 free-trade agreement with the United States — opposed by Ontario but supported by Quebec and Alberta — and three divisive constitutional rounds. But none of those discussions engaged Canada's municipal politicians in the way that this one does.

No mayor holds a veto over a pipeline, but it will be hard to secure a social licence for any project absent more support from the political leaders who are closest to the day-to-day life of so many voters.

Chantal Hébert is a national affairs writer. Her column appears in Metro every Thursday.

THE MICROTREND: A whiter shade of male

The artist Andy Warhol once wrote, "When you've got gray hair, every move you make seems 'young' and 'spry.'" Perhaps, then, the pressures of modern life have millennial men feeling their age already, because stars such as former One Direction member Zayn Malik, 23, and vlogger Tyler Oakley, 26, are leading the trend toward pastel-grey locks for younger guys. It's a toned-down version of the frosted-metallic look for women, and a black-and-white reversal of the fad from just a few years ago. Back then, middle-aged men flocked to salons in droves to "reshade" (never "colour," that's for women) their graying tresses in hopes of competing with the young and energetic talent hitting an atrophied job market. SOURCE: THE NEW YORK TIMES

ROSEMARY WESTWOOD

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The media is two-faced when it comes to sexual assault

If you are sexually assaulted, you can have your day in the media, and then have your day in court.

But if you want a conviction, your first call should probably be to a lawyer.

Watching the first two days of Jian Ghomeshi's trial, which resumes today, it seems the press will work against you in the court.

Marie Henein, Ghomeshi's lawyer, made hay from every detail in every statement the first witness made — in four media interviews and to police — that did not line up, just so, with her chief testimony in court on Monday.

It's not clear what the inscrutable Justice William Horkins thought, but to the gallery it appeared as if Henein, while never explicitly challenging that Ghomeshi punched the woman in the head three times, systematically shredded her credibility.

At this point, avoiding the courts, as many of Ghomeshi's accusers have, seems the more judicious move.

Not only have they had their stories heard by the country, they got results. Ghomeshi lost his job. The CBC endured a scathing inquiry into management's culpability in a caustic work environment at Q, Ghomeshi's show. Ontario launched a high-profile, $41-million anti-sexual-assault campaign.

It's a rare reckoning that only happens if you have a Ghomeshi-calibre celebrity as your alleged abuser. And even then — people who sexually assault people should be convicted. Ironically, media interviews can undermine that.

"It's not that you're set up to fail," Jacob Jesin, the witness's lawyer, told me yesterday. "It's that every statement you make, outside of being in your lawyer's offices, is fodder for cross-examinations."

It seems highly likely that anyone telling a story would alter some aspects along the way, but in court, there is little room for memory's foibles or the slow recollection of details, like whether the witness was wearing hair extensions. Pile up enough seemingly small deviations, and the story begins to take on water. In fact, the best way to seem reliable on the witness stand seems to be to actually have a script and, to use Jesin's words, "Stick to it."

Not only have the witness' comments to the media given the defence ample ammunition, but the press — a sympathetic listener when the witness first came forward — will tell your difficult story and also print your bikini shot.

Today is expected to start with a request from members of the media to publish the bikini photo the witness sent Ghomeshi in 2004. Their "public interest" cuts both ways.

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While almost 80 per cent of Canadians drink, many are unaware of the health risks associated with alcohol consumption, says country's chief public health officer Dr. Gregory Taylor.

Martel on faith, love and iPhones

BOOKS

Living with loss in The High Mountains of Portugal

Melita Kuburas
Metro | Canada

When bad things happen in life, how do we react? To whom do we turn for help?

In his new book The High Mountains of Portugal, Yann Martel dissects moments of human suffering post-tragedy — not to explore how his characters overcome, or succumb to, their loss, but to find out how they *live* with it?

"I wanted to start with people who have lost something very, very precious, and where they go from there," Martel says. "When it gets bad — what do you do, what do you reach for?"

First we meet Tomás who, one by one, within the span of a week, loses his son, his lover, his father. His heart unravels. He tries to protect himself from further assault by walking in reverse; facing the elements with the toughness of his back. He then sets off in search of a treasure hidden in a village church, located in Portugal's mountain range, not on foot but driving his rich uncle's car — a new technology in the early 1900s, one that he hates and doesn't really know how to use.

In the book's Part 2, we meet Eusebio Lozora, a pathologist who gets a strange visit from a widow on New Year's 1939. She wants an autopsy, but not to find out how her husband died. "I want to know how he lived," she insists.

More than 40 years later, in the book's Part 3, Canadian senator Peter Tovy is frustrated with his broken family and becomes enamoured with an ape at a chimpanzee sanctuary in Oklahoma. He buys Odo and goes with his new gargantuan pet (nay, friend) to live in the same village in Portugal, Tuizelo, which connects all three stories.

Much like the plucky teenage protagonist in Life of Pi, Martel's Booker Prize-winning bestseller, the grieving characters in High Mountains find solace in what the author describes as a "curious phenomenon called faith."

It's a subject Martel is intrigued by, even though it's become unusual in many social circles to talk about God and religion in any way that's not underlined with cynicism.

"We live in a time that's very inhospitable to other-dimensional talk," he says. "It's against the ethos of our times to believe in airy-fairy things called gods."

It's easier to talk about things that are tangible, that can be explained. Technology, for instance, which the author speaks about favourably though he has his misgivings, perhaps in the same way the villagers in High Mountains are suspicious of Tomás's automobile.

His iPhone, Martel says, allows him to Facetime with his wife and children currently away in England, communicating across the Atlantic, for free. But the device is only useful if you have someone to talk to. In the end, technology is not going to save anyone from the inevitable.

"The person who believes in nothing but a chemical, material reality, confronted with suffering, has very few tools to deal with that," he says.

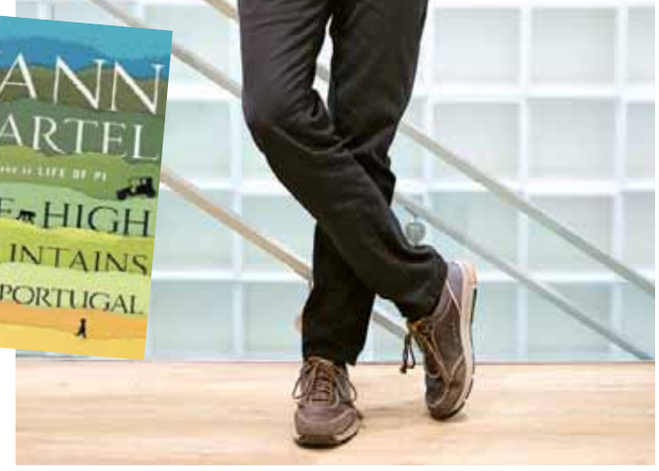
"A lot of stuff we derive through our senses. Faith goes beyond that, you know — why you fall in love with one person or one hockey team... there's no real sense to it. Why I love India and am indifferent to another country; why I like Italian food and less so Chinese food — there's no logic to that. But that's who I am."

In other words, when we let go of our rationality, we open the door for magic.

BIBLIOTHERAPY

In 2007, Yann Martel began sending Stephen Harper books he thought the then-prime minister should read. What would he send to Justin Trudeau?

"I did that to Harper because I thought he needed betterment. I saw a man who had a dried up narrow vision — profoundly divisive, profoundly destructive. I don't see that in Trudeau."



Just this week, Yann Martel released his new book, The High Mountains of Portugal. He will tour across Canada in March. LIZ BEDDALL/METRO CANADA

GRAPHIC NOVEL

Exploring partners' past loves

Sue Carter
For Metro Canada

Years ago, Leanne Shapton was hanging out at her boyfriend's when she noticed he still had photos of his ex-girlfriend in the apartment.

It's an uncomfortable scenario that would make anyone jealous or even suspicious, but the New York-based author-illustrator turned those dark emotions into Was She Pretty?, a graphic novel that explores the natural impulse to seek out the personal details of those who came before us in our relationships. Published 10 years ago, the book is now available in paperback for the first time with the venerable comics publisher, Drawn & Quarterly.

"I was fascinated by other's people's experiences and what they did when they confronted their own jealousy," Shapton recalls. Using her friends' and her own experiences — plus many she imagined or were inspired by vintage photos — Shapton drew a series of pen-and-ink portraits of former lovers, accompanied by captions such as "Jacob's parents adored his ex-girlfriend Cynthia" and "Shane's ex-girlfriend was a child prodigy."

"Jealousy is a bad feeling, and yet I didn't want to say, 'Here's how you get over it.' It's definitely not a self-help book. It's a wallowing book, if anything," Shapton says.

A decade ago when Was She Pretty? first came out, Twitter was in its infancy and Instagram hadn't been invented. While Shapton's book doesn't deal with how social media is a tool used to cyber-stalk exes, she acknowledges it's affected how we perceive ourselves and others.

"I think that makes for your imagination about what you don't know about people to get even more inflamed and to grow even more," she says. "The book is much more about the assumption that people come and go in your lives."

Leanne Shapton fleshes out partners' past relationships, both real and imagined. CONTRIBUTED

Other than a new cover design and the ink colour, the contents of Was She Pretty? have not been altered. Shapton, on the other hand, has observed changes in her own attitude toward the green-eyed monster.

Growing up in Toronto, Shapton was a competitive swimmer, an experience she chronicled in her 2012 illustrated book Swimming Studies.

"Ten years out, my competitive streak has blunted, so it's fun to look back at this more competitive version of myself," she says. "I'm a much less jealous person because of all the experience I have now. But it's still such a fresh thing. It can flare up, like a rash."

Love, murder, intrigue make good TV

INTERVIEW

British writer uses plot twists and slow reveals in London Spy

Ned Ehrbar
Metro | Hollywood

Ben Whishaw plays a young Londoner trying to solve the mystery of his lover's murder. HANDOUT

British writer Tom Rob Smith makes his first foray into writing for television with the twisting, mysterious London Spy, about a young Londoner named Danny (Ben Whishaw), who meets Alex, a reserved math genius. The two become lovers, then Alex disappears and Danny discovers he was a spy — and Danny is being framed for his murder. Danny's ensuing hunt for the truth leads to British intelligence giant MI6.

So what's the secret to crafting a good mystery? A good love story, according to Smith.

Your first work, Child 44, was a novel adapted into a movie. How did making a TV series change your approach?
With the novel it was just a case of you believe in it, you go away and you write it and then you find a world for it. And this was kind of similar. I didn't have any TV experience, I hadn't written an original drama before, but I knew that I wanted to tell the story and I knew it was TV. I knew it wasn't film, and I also knew it wasn't a book. It's like first-person narrative through the eyes of the main character, played by Ben Whishaw, but he didn't go to university. He left school at 16, he's an ordinary guy working a kind of dead-end job. He was never going to write it down, he was never going to have a voice that would work on the page. I couldn't imagine what that would be. He's a visual character. He's someone who will listen and will react to a situation. So I knew it was going to be TV. And then it was just a question of buckling down, believing in it and writing it.

What were your ways into tackling the process of writing for TV?
With the first episode, there was a lot of debate about pace. One of the things I love about TV is you have more time. The conventional story — your partner is murdered and you take on the question of who murdered them — has been told countless times. With this, we have enough time to work out what their love story is as a particular love story without it being a shorthand. Let's spend a bit of time with these two people. Love stories aren't all the same — we fall in love for completely different reasons. I wanted to understand that these two people were both lost for very different reasons. You have someone who's very hedonistic and then you have someone who's deeply closeted, locked into a world of people who are dark and dangerous. In London, those two worlds stare at each other. On one side of the road in Vauxhall you have these clubs that finish at 8 a.m. And then you have someone in that world staring at the opposite side — MI6. And so you have these two people collide, and I wanted us as an audience to really connect with them.

> **I wanted us as an audience to really connect with them before we ripped them apart.**
> Tom Rob Smith, writer

What about getting into the MI6, mystery part of something like this?
There were two central mysteries at the heart of it, which is No. 1, what happened. Was he murdered or was he actually involved in these sexual practices and did he go wrong? That's the first question, and the second one was who was he? Often in these stories, the lover is kind of a fixed point, unchanging throughout the whole thing. But I wanted that character to change across the series, for in this investigation that Ben goes on, he would get closer to the person through all the different elements of who they are.

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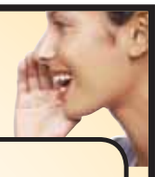

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JOHANNA SCHNELLER WHAT I'M WATCHING

American Idol's final act is full of beauty

THE SHOW: American Idol, Season 15
THE MOMENT: The Final Auditions

The American Idol judges have found an engaging banter in their final season of the show. CONTRIBUTED

Crackling with craziness, a young woman bounds into the audition room and announces to judges Jennifer Lopez, Harry Connick, Jr. and Keith Urban, "I'm 23 years old and I'm a singing nomad."

Lopez, who moves through life looking permanently airbrushed, says, "I could never do that."

"You couldn't sleep outside?" Connick asks her. "You could build a shelter out of your assistants."

"That would work," Lopez replies (she knows who she is).

The crackling girl, who can't sing, looks bewildered. The judges dismiss her. But nicely.

The awareness that this is American Idol's final season has reinvigorated everyone.

The contestants are fresher. The panellists, nestled in their niches — Urban feels the music, Lopez is the mama (sweet and stern), and Connick is both cutup and musical sophisticate — have found an engaging banter.

AI has always been about hope, kids from nowhere dreaming of stepping through a magic door into a bigger, better life.

In the Simon Cowell years, there were two ways that hope could go: terrible singers were mocked for their delusion while credible candidates were moved along in a hard-nosed manner until their story had been exploited fully.

Thankfully, the show has mellowed as it's matured.

The current judges are as much about making music as they are about selling it. They're attuned to the place songs hold in people's lives.

When they talk about connecting to a song, and connecting through a song, they mean it.

They're looking for that lump in the throat. And that makes great TV.

American Idol airs Wednesdays 8 p.m. on Yes TV and Fox.

Johanna Schneller is a media connoisseur who zeroes in on pop-culture moments. She appears Monday through Thursday.

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Funtastico, a Jaime Hayon retrospective, currently running in Israel

MEET THE CONDO

Single family homes in Manotick

Minto Mahogany in Manotick

Project overview

Minto Mahogany is a specially designed community, meant to stand out from Minto's standard product line. Located in Manotick, the series was partially inspired by the area's surrounding architecture, so that the new development would mesh well with Manotick's classic small-town feel.

In the neighbourhood

Manotick provides a pleasant small-town atmosphere, boasting several parks and a pleasant main street with an array of higher-end restaurants and shops. The location is perfect for those wanting to live outside Ottawa while still being within reach of the city.

Location and transit

The site is about 10 minutes from Barrhaven and 30 minutes from Ottawa. Manotick does have transit service, although it's mostly limited to one route. Those living in the community have access to necessities such as grocery stores, banks, convenience stores, medical centres and a public school.

Housing amenities

Minto Mahogany has a wide variety of models, including bungalow and two-storey homes. The houses are designed with brick and stone exterior finishes. Interiors feature granite countertops and hardwood flooring. Buyers are free to choose their own colours for both the interior and the exterior. ILANA REIMER/FOR METRO

NEED TO KNOW

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INTERIORS

Missoni Home presents floral fabrics at Paris Déco Off

High-end Italian fashion house Missoni presented its new collection of fabrics this week at Paris Déco Off, a design showcase that takes visitors around brand showrooms in the French capital.

With Rosita Missoni at the helm of Missoni Home, it's no surprise to see her love of colour channeled in these vibrant new fabrics.

Oriental Garden

One of six fabric collections presented, Oriental Garden is based on a pattern from a silk cape, known as Saturno, designed by Missoni in 1971.

Missoni Home reclaimed the pattern for its 2016 textile collection, with bold flowering branches blooming in different designs, including a macro print on cotton with a checkerboard of matte and shiny finishes, and micro embroidery on satin fabric. Two sets are available, with turquoise, amethyst, slate and onyx on a sandy coloured background, or coral, rosewood and shades of amethyst and sage on a turquoise background.

Missoni Home's Floral Galaxy pattern, right, was inspired by a flower-filled English garden.

Anemone

Anemone is a flagship line this season for Missoni.

Inspired by the flower of the same name, it juxtaposes large and small flowers in shades of blue and green against black and white blooms.

Black and white appear again in the Anemones Dream fabric, alongside touches of pink, yellow and purple.

Fireworks

Fireworks uses a rainbow design, which along with chevrons is a hallmark of the Missoni brand. The bright colours are set against a black and white background.

Tropical Fish

The Tropical Fish line of outdoor fabrics puts colourful fish in a lively print. (Prices on request.) AFP

BACKGROUND

Rosita Missoni founded Missoni 60 years ago with her husband, Ottavio.

She left the fashion side of things to her children in 1997 and turned her attention to Missoni Home.

Anemones Dream is one of six new fabric collections from Missoni Home. ALL PHOTOS: MISSONI HOME/HANDOUT

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Roger Federer underwent successful arthroscopic knee surgery and will have to skip at least two tournaments

MacArthur seeing 'night and day' improvement

SENATORS

Forward back at practice after suffering concussion

Senators forward Clarke MacArthur may not be ready to return to game action just yet, but he got one step closer on Wednesday.

MacArthur, who suffered a concussion the second week of the regular season and hasn't played since Oct. 14, took the ice with teammates Wednesday morning for the first time in four months.

There remains no timetable for his return, but MacArthur would like to be ready by the end of the month. Conditioning will play a factor, but the timetable would depend on whether or not he suffers any setbacks.

"Try staying away from most of the contact most of this week and start getting my melon bumped around next week and see how we go from there," MacArthur said. "I'm still having a few things happen, but it's night and day compared to where we were a month ago and even two weeks ago."

MacArthur admitted there were days he wondered if he would ever make it back on the ice.

"There were a lot of days I didn't know what was going to happen," he said. "I know myself and my body and I knew the second I started feeling better I was going to put the hammer down and get back. I feel like I've got a lot of good years left and I know I want to be a part of it and that in itself I think has helped motivate me to come back and want to be a part of this."

> **Once I'm ready to go and play I'm going to play my game and see how it goes from there.**
> Clarke MacArthur

With so much unknown about the long-term effects from a concussion, MacArthur admits there is some trepidation.

"I do (worry) because I have a family and kids," he said. "I'd be lying if I said I didn't think about that, but when I get told I can get back playing you know what, I'm just going to go out and play the way I played and let the chips fall where they may.

"It's a scary thing to think too far into and I don't even want to, to be honest. Once I'm ready to go and play I'm going to play my game and see how it goes from there."

Ottawa's **Clarke MacArthur**, top, vies for the puck with Cam Atkinson of the Blue Jackets earlier this season. PAUL VERNON/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The Senators (23-22-6), who are coming off a 6-5 loss to Pittsburgh Tuesday night, could use some reinforcements if they hope to make the post-season. The Senators were without forward Kyle Turris, who missed his fifth straight game with a lower-body injury while defenceman Marc Methot missed his sixth straight.

Ottawa opened Wednesday five points back of the Penguins, who hold the final wild-card spot and have two games in hand on the Senators.

The Senators host the Edmonton Oilers Thursday and Toronto Maple Leafs Saturday.

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NHL

Wideman banned 20 games

The NHL came down hard on Calgary Flames defenceman Dennis Wideman for knocking down an official with a 20-game suspension Wednesday.

Wideman, who will also forfeit $564,516 US to the players' emergency assistance fund, is eligible to return to the lineup March 14.

During the second period of the Flames' 2-1 loss to Nashville on Jan. 27, Wideman was checked hard into the boards by Predators winger Miikka Salomak.

Dennis Wideman GETTY IMAGES

Wideman banged his stick on the ice en route to the players' benches and then shoved his stick into Don Henderson's back in front of the Predators' bench. Henderson went down, but got to his feet and was able to finish the game.

Wideman's explanation was he was in pain and was just trying to get off the ice, adding that he couldn't avoid Henderson.

"I think I've treated every official with the utmost respect and I would never intentionally try to hit a linesman or a ref or anything like that," Wideman said following the game.

No penalty was called. Wideman apologized to Henderson after the incident.

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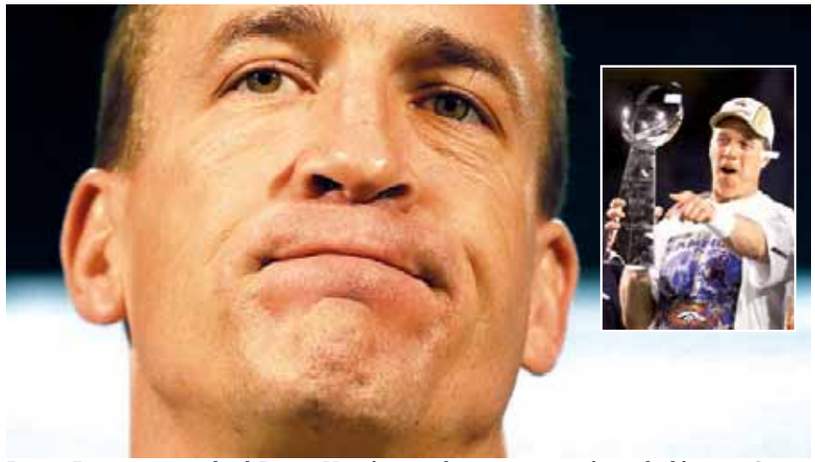
Manning may take a sunset walk like Elway

SUPER BOWL

Winning big one would give Peyton same perfect sendoff



Denver Broncos quarterback Peyton Manning speaks to reporters prior to the big game Sunday. (Inset) John Elway lifts the Vince Lombardi in 1998. BOTH IMAGES THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The last time the world saw John Elway in a Broncos uniform, he was facing the stands, both hands aloft, holding his helmet in his left hand, and his right hand clenched into a tight, celebratory fist.

He flashed that toothy smile, knowing that a few minutes later, he would be cradling his second Super Bowl trophy.

He went out on top. No matter what happened after that — and Elway has gone on to accomplish plenty — his last meaningful moments on a football field had resulted in a victory in the biggest game of all.

"It's a very nice thing to have," Elway said this week, "knowing you can always look back and have a real positive thought."

Now, Elway runs the team he used to play for. In 2012, he signed Peyton Manning, who, at 39, is even older than Elway was when he played his last game in 1999. And now, it's Manning who could be taking that same walk into the sunset. He has a chance to win his second Super Bowl, peel off his white Broncos jersey and never come back.

By the accounts of both men, the topic of Manning's retirement has not been broached.

It's hard to think those conversations won't pick up steam over the next few weeks.

Manning has already told Patriots coach Bill Belichick, in a not-so-private exchange at midfield two weeks ago, that this might be his last rodeo. He has refused to expand on that.

"We haven't talked about anything past Sunday," said Manning's brother, Eli. "We kept it on this week, the last few weeks, but nothing past the game."

When the game is over, Peyton will have an all-star lineup from which to glean advice. It includes brother Eli, of course; their father, Archie, who spent 14 years in the NFL; their brother, Cooper. And Elway. Chances are, Manning will be seeking what Elway sought when he went to his father, Jack, a longtime scout and personnel man, after the second Super Bowl title.

> **It's a very nice thing to have.**
> John Elway on winning Super Bowl in his final game.

"I was fortunate to be able to talk to my dad about what he thought," Elway said. "Because I didn't want it to be different than what I was seeing and what I was feeling."

The signs of Elway's slowdown toward the end were visible — he missed four starts in 1998 with hamstring, rib and other injuries. "Physically, I was breaking down a little bit," Elway said.

But the ravages of age on him weren't as glaring as what Manning has displayed at times this season. "I feel I can still move the chains," Manning said. "Maybe in different ways. It's being able to adjust."

If he leads Denver to a victory against Carolina on Sunday, Manning's ability to set aside the glow of winning the title, and to listen to candid advice, will set the framework for his decision. His inner-circle's ability to give it to him straight will be every bit as important for the quarterback, whose contract extends through next year. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

CFL

Argos GM has fond memories of the XFL

The XFL made a lasting impression on Jim Barker in its one season of existence.

The spring league, the brainchild of controversial wrestling guru Vince McMahon, began its inaugural season Feb. 3, 2001. Barker, the Toronto Argonauts GM, earned a championship ring as the Los Angeles Xtreme's offensive co-ordinator while also discovering a head coach in waiting.

The Xtreme's backup quarterback that year was none other than Argos head coach Scott Milanovich, the first player taken in the 2001 XFL draft. Milanovich played sparingly behind league MVP Tommy Maddox, but according to Barker he was instrumental to Los Angeles's success.

"Tommy had a great year but Scott had a lot to do with that," Barker said Wednesday, the 15th anniversary of the XFL's debut. "He would simplify things and make it so easy for Tommy.

> **Tommy (Maddox) had a great year but Scott (Milanovich) had a lot to do with that.**
> Argos GM Jim Barker

"Even though he didn't play much he was so valuable as a backup and a guy who could have a great relationship with Tommy and basically kick off his coaching career."

Barker first met Milanovich the night before the Xtreme's mini-camp and knew immediately he was destined to become a coach. THE CANADIAN PRESS

CFL IN BRIEF

Former starter Pierce new QB coach for Blue Bombers

Buck Pierce has a new job with the Winnipeg Blue Bombers. Pierce was named the club's quarterbacks coach after serving as running backs coach the last two seasons.

Pierce will work with Bombers offensive co-ordinator Paul LaPolice, who was Winnipeg's head coach for two-plus seasons when Pierce was the starting quarterback (2010-12). THE CANADIAN PRESS

Shea Emry calls it a career

Saskatchewan Roughriders linebacker Shea Emry is retiring after eight CFL seasons amid concussion concerns. The Riders made the announcement this morning.

The six-foot, 228-pound Emry estimates he has suffered about 10 concussions playing football. And with his second child due in May, he has decided to leave football rather than take any more chances. THE CANADIAN PRESS

PREMIER LEAGUE

Big-spending Newcastle made to pay the penalty by Everton

Ross Barkley of Everton celebrates after scoring his second penalty of the night. STU FORSTER/GETTY IMAGES

Newcastle was among the top spenders in Europe in the winter transfer window in a last-gasp bid to escape relegation from the lucrative Premier League. Its $42-million splurge had little effect at Everton on Tuesday.

Newcastle started three of its new signings at Goodison Park and was beaten 3-0 to stay third from bottom in the standings, two points from safety.

Ross Barkley converted two late penalties — one of them a so-called "Panenka" down the middle — to add to the opening goal from winger Aaron Lennon, as Everton collected a first league win since Dec. 26.

In the only other Premier League match this evening, sustained late pressure failed to yield a goal for Chelsea in a 0-0 draw at Watford, which kept the champions unbeaten in nine games in the interim spell of coach Guus Hiddink, but in 13th place — 11 points off the European positions. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

RECIPE Pasta with Peas and Green Onion

PHOTO: MAYA VISNYEI

Ceri Marsh & Laura Keogh
For Metro Canada

Run, don't walk to the grocery store. This dish uses only 5 ingredients (we're not counting the oil, OK?) but yields big flavour and even more leftovers. We call that a dinner trifecta.

Ready in
Prep time: 15 minutes
Total time: 30 minutes
Serves 4 to 6

Ingredients
- 500g rigatoni pasta
- 2 cups fresh or frozen peas, cooked and drained
- 1 1/2 cups crumbled feta cheese
- 1 bunch green onions (about 4), sliced
- 1/3 cup olive oil
- Juice of half a large lemon
- 1 Tbsp chopped fresh mint, plus more for garnish

Directions

1. Bring a large pot of salted water to boil over medium heat. Once boiling, add the pasta and cook 7 to 11 minutes, or until al dente. Drain the pasta and pour into a large bowl.

2. Mix pasta with peas, onions and feta. In a small bowl, whisk olive oil, lemon juice and mint. Drizzle dressing over pasta and toss throughout. Sprinkle pasta with another teaspoon of fresh, chopped mint and serve.

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CROSSWORD Canada Across and Down

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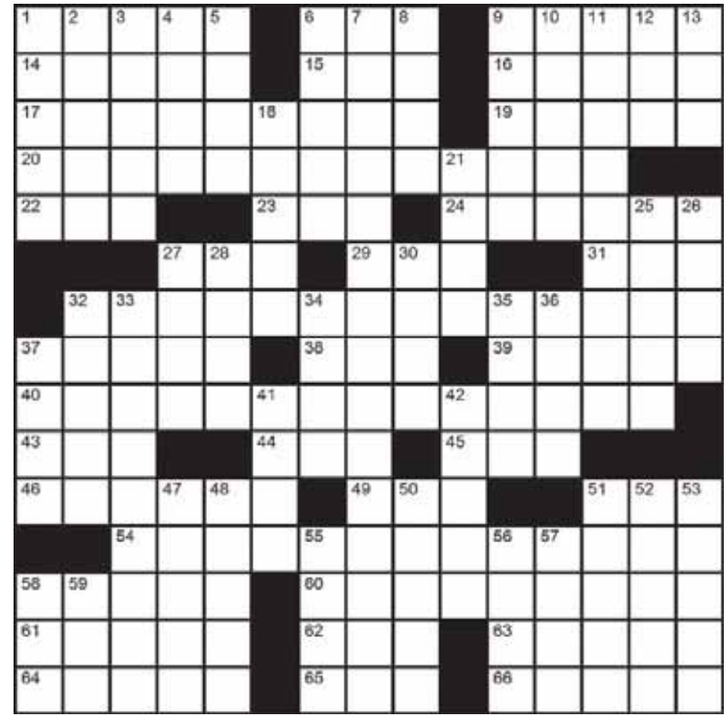

ACROSS
1. Large amounts
6. __-la-la
9. Mr. Baron Cohen
14. Song line
15. CD-__
16. Like some verbs, for short
17. As per #32-Across... Bonhomme's grand home in his fantastically frigid kingdom: 2 wds.
19. Canadian guitarist Ms. Boyd
20. Fast food utensils: 2 wds.
22. French seasoning
23. Company name abbr.
24. Medieval fief holder
27. Non-verbal communication syst.
29. Be in debt
31. "__! _ cut myself!" (Veggie chopper's cry)
32. Annual event since 1955 currently underway in Quebec City: 2 wds.
37. Breadcrumbs of Japan
38. 'O' of OLP
39. Had that burger: 2 wds.
40. Hit for Joe Cocker that goes "Baby let me be / 'Cause you don't care...": 3 wds.
43. "Not impressed."
44. "Yuck!"
45. Hardy animal
46. A __ (Theoretical thinking)
49. Big Apple newspaper [acronym]
51. Help
54. According to the bio of Bonhomme (the mascot of #32-Across), it's his dream to eliminate this in the world: 2 wds.
58. Celebrity chef Ms. De Laurentiis
60. Emotionally cleansing
61. "When does __ __ lighter out again?" (Hoping-for-Spring query)
62. Dernier __ (Latest fashion)
63. Metamorphosis-izer
64. Shrek's beloved
65. Mr. Cobb, and others
66. Hamilton = __ City

DOWN
1. Undergarments worn with dresses
2. Recurring process
3. Expanse-related
4. Plunges
5. "Vamoose!"
6. Stretch of land
7. "The Last Waltz" (1978) directed by Martin Scorsese and starring The Band: 2 wds.
8. "Indeed!"
9. Region's forest trees
10. Ram's sign
11. __ artists (Singers such as Taylor Swift)
12. Farm bird
13. Palindromic honorific
18. City in northern France
21. Folkie band, Bon __
25. Anticipate
26. Lively tune
27. Ancient Egyptian cross
28. Ancient colonnade
30. Cautious
32. Decliner
33. Visiting the Windy City: 2 wds.
34. Rice-A-__
35. Scot's negatives
36. "Take __ __ a sign."
37. Shoe style
41. "Correct me __ __ wrong, but..."
42. Submarine entrance
47. __ days
48. Lasso
50. Abominable snowmen
51. Cavern
52. "Okay, __ up already, what's the answer?"
53. Sticker
55. Bank __.
56. Mr. Holbrook's
57. Smell __ (Be suspicious)
58. Picture file extension
59. "Lord, is __?" (Last Supper question)

IT'S ALL IN THE STARS by Sally Brompton

Aries March 21 - April 20
They say opposites attract and someone who's as different from you as possible will get your pulse racing. You'll recover your senses quickly, but it could be the love of your life.

Taurus April 21 - May 21
Stick to tried and trusted ways, even if some may say it's old-fashioned. Not everything old is wrong and at least you get things done, which is more than can be said for some!

Gemini May 22 - June 21
Don't worry if you find yourself in a minority of one. Being the kind of person who stands out from the crowd, it is inevitable that you will be criticized by those who would prefer everyone to think and act alike.

Cancer June 22 - July 23
Someone needs your support and a shoulder to cry on. Do what you can to assist them. It may be emotionally draining but you have been through this kind of scene many times before.

Leo July 24 - Aug. 23
You are in a restless mood, unable to get comfortable in any one place. Why should that be a problem? Why should you stay still? Be adventurous. Boredom is to be avoided.

Virgo Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
Why can't some people see sense? You will have to deal with someone whose grasp of logic is non-existent. Make your point, then get away from them as quickly as you can. You're under no obligation to stay.

Libra Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
It may be hard to think straight today but it's essential if you don't want to get caught up in a big scene. You can't stop others from ranting and raving but you don't have to join in.

Scorpio Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
You may be tempted to hit back at someone who's giving you a hard time but is it a good idea? They may just be waiting for an excuse to start an open fight.

Sagittarius Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
Someone you thought was a friend will show their true colours and try to convert you to their way of thinking. Let them know that in future they must only give their opinions when asked — in other words, never!

Capricorn Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
Someone in a position of authority will get a bit emotional today. Do what you can to calm them down. Not only will they appreciate your advice but they will mark you down as someone who can be trusted.

Aquarius Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
You will have fun today but you may feel guilty because not everyone is as happy or fortunate as you. Help others get over whatever it is that is bothering them but don't let their mood bring you down.

Pisces Feb. 20 - March 20
Negative feelings may be natural but don't let them take over your life. Confront whatever it is that pains you today.

CONCEPTIS SUDOKU by Dave Green

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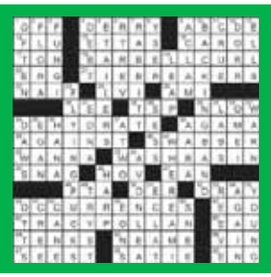

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